FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S.802

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Law Enforcement Training Council Established		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill adds Chapter 23 establishing the Law Enforcement Training Council which would be empowered to establish a program of training for law enforcement officers and other persons employed in the criminal justice system. The Council would oversee the activities of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy which would become an entity separate and distinct from the Department of Public Safety.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) estimates enactment would require an additional ten administrative positions for the Criminal Justice Academy (CJA). Funding for these positions would be available from court fine revenues currently being paid to DPS to cover administrative expenses for the CJA. However, new recurring operating expenses are estimated to exceed total court fine revenue by \$203,445. In addition, first year non-recurring expenses are estimated at \$72,500. Therefore, first year impact on the General Fund of the State is estimated at \$275,945.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Enactment would have no impact on local expenditures.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate entity to address any revenue impact associated with this Bill.

Approved by:

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